

## Tenmile Clean Water Project – Minutes, Aug 8, 2018

Attendees: Bob McWhorter, Hank Kastner, Naomi Murphy, Merrilee Kullman, Parker Rogers.

**Note: Comments annotated to this meeting agenda information are shown in red.**

### Meeting packet attachments:

1. This Agenda
2. July 11 membership Meeting Minutes (and financial report.)

### AGENDA

- Greetings & introductions
- Review & Approve Agenda

Consent Agenda Approvals **A quorum was not present. The consent agenda was not approved.**

1. Previous Meeting Minutes (see meeting packet; **note:** copies not provided for meeting.)
2. Financial Report: see notes for details of activity this month.

### **Tenmile Clean Water Project Monthly Finance Report**

Settled for: July 2018

	Budget (12 mo.)	Expended Latest Mo	Projected Spending	Total Spent or Committed	Grant Fund Balance	Notes
Coordinator	3000/mo.	0.00	0.00	29,727.23	3,272.77	
Sample Analysis	670/mo.	325.00	0.00	1,865.00	6,135.00	
Outreach (gross)	3,000.00	68.12	245.25	1,254.75	1,745.25	1.
Measurement (gross)	2,400.00		0.00	500.00	1,900.00	
Discretionary (gross)	3,000.00	0.00	0.00	15.00	2,985.00	
Grant Admin Overhead	2,600.00			2,600.00	0.00	
<b>TOTALS</b>		393.12	245.25	35,961.98	16,038.02	

#### Notes:

1. Website development

### Announcements

- **Next Steering Committee meeting;** There is no meeting planned for August unless decided otherwise in this meeting. **. A meeting was not scheduled for August.**
- **WCD Farm Speaker Series –**
  1. Great Grazers: Holistic Pasture Management; Aug 23, 4-7pm, Edelwiess Dairy Farm. This is another chance to learn more about best-practices being promoted by the CD. RSVP required. <http://www.whatcomcd.org/node/252>
  2. Farm Grant Opportunities & Proposal Writing; Oct 18, 6-8pm, Bellewood Acres.
- **Sustainable Connections Farm Tour**, September 8 & 9. The Farm Tour this year will feature Appel Farms, Bellewood Acres, Matheson Farms and Growing Veterans - all four are Tenmile-area farms! <https://sustainableconnections.org/2018-whatcom-county-farm-tour/>
- Others?

### Reports

- **Steering Committee** – there was no meeting in July.
- **Water Quality** – data report & forward planning; verbal report. **Bob reviewed the results from 3 consecutive weeks of samples in early July, in the lower Deer Creek and Tenmile Creek area. There was some increase on many samples over the period, from the 100s to**

the 300s, with one anomaly above 1700 on Deer Creek just above the confluence. He is following up with County partners to analyze the results & plan for late summer sampling.

- **Website updates** – what’s new, and what’s coming. **Follow our blog!** At the bottom of any web page, provide your email address to receive notices of new blog posts. <https://tenmilecleanwater.org/> Hank briefly demonstrated a number of changes suggested in the July meeting, which are now active on the website.
- **Laurel WID** –no meeting is scheduled for August; next meeting will be Sept 10<sup>th</sup>.

Business:

1. **Water samples & results:** discussion of recent observations and results from our summer testing program, especially as focused on potential septic system problem areas. **No further comments beyond the above.**
2. **Officer elections:** we are way late voting on Chair & Co-Chair for this year! This is first call for nominations. Forward your nominations to Hank or Bob, or.... wait for the September meeting, when we will vote, after a last chance to nominate members for these positions during the meeting. **No nominations were made; this item will be on the September agenda for action.**
3. **Aneka Sweeney** from the Whatcom Conservation District will join us to discuss our outreach partnership with WCD, which is focused on horse owners and septic system owners. Topic will include plans for the Sustainable Connections Farm Tour in September; outreach activities with horse owners in Tenmile; a recent county workshop to plan more outreach to septic system owners; progress creating a logo for TCWP - and more! **Hank & Aneka decided to postpone this discussion to September, due to low expected turnout at this meeting.** Our group did discuss interest in trying to staff an information table at Bellewood for the Farm Tour in September (see above) and the logistics necessary to do that. Hank will request volunteers to staff the table to see if there is interest from the membership.